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Pair of meetings scheduled for V'burg, Jackson

JACKSON, Ms. (Special) — The Agricultural Development Foundation and Agricultural Fellowship will meet jointly at 10 a.m. on August 20 at Bowmar Church in Vicksburg. Don Bolls, retired missionary to Niger, will be the guest speaker. There will be missions reports from around the world. Lunch will be catered at a cost of \$10 per person and can be paid upon arrival.

The Mississippi Baptist Chaplains Association will sponsor a conference on post-traumatic stress beginning at 8 a.m. on Sept. 16 in the Skyroom at the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board (MBCB) building in Jackson. Endel Lee of the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention Board in Alpharetta, Ga., will focus on families who have loved ones returning after a period of being away, and on helping members of the military re-enter civilian life.

For more information on the meeting and conference, contact Carol Wright in the MBCB Men's Ministry Department at (601) 292-3334 or toll-free outside Jackson (800) 748-1651, ext. 334. E-mail: cwright@mbcb.org.

Famine descends on Horn of Africa

DADAAB, Kenya (BP) — The father-daughter duo stumbled into the refugee camp in search of food, water, and shelter after an eight-day walk through the desolate, dried-up African bush. Eerily thin, they hoped to find relief from the worst famine to hit the Horn of Africa in 60 years. It took Habiba Nuna and her father twice as long as the thousands of other Somali refugees making the four-day trek from the border of Somalia to Dadaab, Kenya, because the 40-year-old woman was carrying her elderly father.

Tens of thousands of Somalis, mostly women and children, stream into the refugee camp clutching small bags of clothes and other meager possessions. The children are malnourished. Most are listless and too small for their age. A three-year-old child looks like a one-year-old.

Their mothers, however, smile and are in good spirits. They have survived the journey. Hope runs high for the help that will save their families.

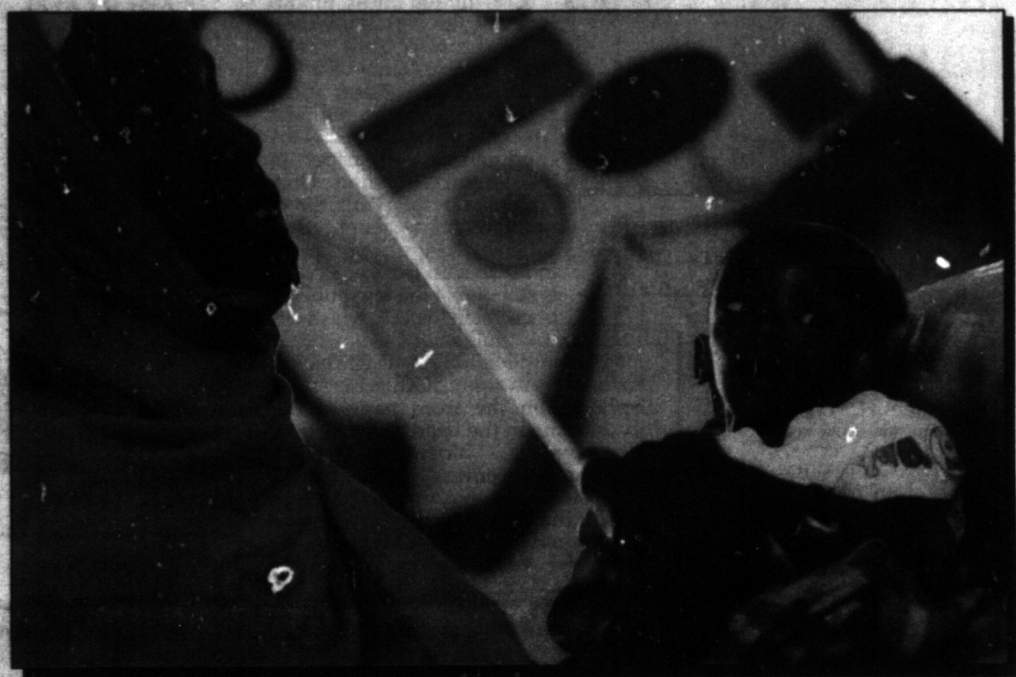
The reality, however, is many relief organizations are struggling financially. The Southern Baptist World Hunger Fund has only enough money to last six more months, and that estimate doesn't include the current African famine crisis in the mix.

Habiba's elderly father Hussein sits despondently, staring off into space, as his daughter tries to find help within the camp. He is starving and has been for a long time. Another refugee offers a little milk in hopes of giving the 100-year-old emaciated man enough strength to make it another day.

Resilient Somalis have endured two decades of civil war and two consecutive seasons of no rain. Now, with their livestock and crops dead, their babies and elderly suffering from malnutrition, and food prices skyrocketing, they have given up any pretense they can survive on their own.

To get here, many walked more than a hundred miles. Almost everyone passed bodies of mothers, children, and the elderly — anyone too weakened by hunger and lack of water to escape with their lives.

The United Nations estimates it will take \$1.4 billion to save the lives of some 12 million people across the horn of Africa in



FAMINE IN AFRICA — Famine refugee Asia Danaken looks after her son, Minhaja Gedi, seven months old, who has been sick with dysentery and had to be hospitalized. The drought and famine currently gripping the Horn of Africa is said to be the worst in more than 60 years. (BP photo)

Ethiopia, Somalia, Kenya, and Djibouti. The emergency is expected to persist for at least three to four months, possibly peaking in August and Sept.

Southern Baptists face a crisis in their World Hunger Fund, trying to meet this impending need, as well as others around the world. Jeff Palmer, executive director of Baptist Global Response, said giving to the fund has sharply declined.

"We are now at a 'red alert' time for our human needs funding. The overseas hunger relief fund is down to \$4.1 million — enough to meet the needs of Southern Baptist international hunger projects for six months. We are approaching a baseline where we are going to have to start denying funds to critical projects.

"Southern Baptists, who care so deeply about people in need, have given very generously in years past," Palmer said, noting that 100% of every dollar donated

• The Southern Baptist World Hunger Fund has only enough money for six more months of operation, without even factoring in the current African famine crisis

• Southern Baptist world hunger projects have totaled more than \$250,000 in the Horn of Africa in the past few years

• The World Hunger Fund supports projects that help poor, neglected, marginalized and lost people groups throughout the world

• Donations designated for the Horn of Africa crisis can be made through the International Mission Board at www.imb.org

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million people by the end of the year. The influx is already felt at Dadaab, the world's largest refugee camp.

The camp was built to house 90,000 people. However, relief workers estimate there are more than

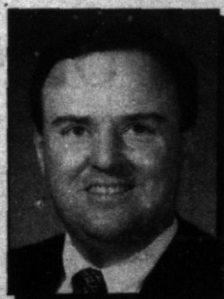
400,000 people crowded in or around the camp made up of three compounds, with an average of 1,300 new arrivals daily. The newcomers often end up sleeping out in the open until they can construct makeshift shelters with whatever material is handy — sticks, cardboard, cloth or metal. Anything helps to defend against the blistering sun and the billowing dust.

In the camp, there are not a lot of young children running and playing. Most lay in their mothers' arms, like one-year-old Abderahman Dubo who has a tiny needle in his arm, delivering sustenance from an IV. Officials warn that 800,000 children could die of malnutrition across East Africa this year.

The drought area of Africa's Horn is dominated by Islam.

The UN's office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) estimates that the number of people needing humanitarian assistance could increase by as much as 25%, growing from 12 million to 15

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Christians and the mass media

Christians, and particularly evangelical Christians, have had a tough time for several decades now getting a fair shake in the American news media. It's not unusual at all for the mainstream media in this country to brush aside more important events of the day in order to bash Christians. If there's a story line that puts Christians in the most menacing possible light, it leads the news even if the facts are twisted or completely fabricated.

Is there any doubt left that the so-called Fourth Estate in this country is miserably failing us? Can anyone argue against the idea that the practice of journalism has in many

instances devolved into amateurish political posturing and promotion of pet projects?

Big News just loves a bad Christian. It fits their agenda.

One of the most prominent practitioners of this dark art is the New York Times, the venerable "Grey Lady" of American journalism often referred to as the national newspaper of record. It is the third largest newspaper in the country (behind USA Today and the Wall Street Journal) and, although it has experienced a sharp decline in readership in recent years, is still one of the few publications left in the U.S. with a circulation of one million or more.

It is also decidedly anti-Christian. The latest example of this bias was displayed on the front page of the July 24 issue in the headline, "As horrors emerge, Norway charges Christian extremist." The article under the headline concerned Anders Brevik, the Norwegian who allegedly murdered scores of his fellow citizens a few weeks ago for what appear to be political reasons. Christian/Mass Murderer. Mass Murderer/Christian. Get it?

The Times apparently pinned that contention on a rambling, 1,500-page manifesto detailing Brevik's supposedly Christian wrath toward what he saw as the Islamization of Europe and weak leaders who were allowing the collapse of western civilization. The manifesto also referred admiringly to American Ted Kaczynski of Unabomber fame and several public figures and

authors who Brevik believed shared his views. Nevertheless, the Times chose to only highlight Brevik's tenuous Christian connection in the headline and subsequent article, even though Brevik is not known to have regularly attended any church or adhered to any particular set of Christian principles (as borne out by the charge that he is an alleged mass murderer).

The Times could have written the headline, "As horrors emerge, Norway charges Unabomber follower." The Times could have written the headline, "Norway mass murder suspect tied to radical writers, politicians." Neither of those headlines would have satisfied the newspaper's agenda, however.

Just a few days later, the newspaper reported on an AWOL soldier arrested near Fort Hood, Texas, with weapons, explosives, and Muslim jihad materials allegedly in his possession. While the "Christian extremist" made the front page of the Times, the Fort Hood jihadist story was buried on page 11 of the first section, with hardly a concern for the Islamic connection. His religion was mentioned only in the ninth paragraph of the smothered article.

Where's the balance? Sadly, there is none across the spectrum of mainstream media in this country today.

Why is that the case? Christians are often times (but not always) the only people left in American society who are still willing to stand up for what is right. With very few exceptions, Christians are the only ones left who speak up in opposition to abortion and the homosexual political agenda in this country.

The mainstream news media hate us for that, and there's a price to be paid by anyone who stands against such powerful cultural forces. We will be criticized, with little available recourse. We will be

ridiculed, the butt of jokes, marginalized, and occasionally demonized. It's been that way for a couple of thousand years now.

In light of Christian history, that doesn't make us martyrs. We just have to learn to move forward (Matt. 28:18-20) and understand we are facing a force that is becoming increasingly hostile to us and what we believe to be immutable truth as perfected in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

After what He did for us, it's the least we can do for Him.

"I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE PASTOR.... LATELY HE JUST HASN'T BEEN HIMSELF—HE'S BEEN WHATEVER PREACHER HE LAST WATCHED ON TELEVISION."



N.O. Seminary schedules MS extension center classes

New Orleans Seminary (NOBTS) has announced the Fall 2011 and Spring 2012 class schedules for graduate and undergraduate students studying at the seminary's Mississippi extension centers.

North Mississippi Extension Center
NOBTS will offer the following graduate courses at its North Mississippi Extension Center, which meets on the campus of Blue Mountain College in Blue Mountain. Classes meet on Mondays:

■ Fall 2011 — Spiritual Formation 1 (8-9 a.m.), Exploring the Old Testament (9 a.m.-12 p.m.), Baptist Heritage (1-3 p.m.), Introductory Greek Grammar (3-6 p.m.)

■ Spring 2012 — Spiritual Formation 2 (8-9 a.m.), Exploring the New Testament (9 a.m.-12 p.m.), Pastoral Ministry (1-4 p.m.), Intermediate Greek for Exegesis (4:30-7:30 p.m.)

Clinton Extension Center
NOBTS will offer the following graduate courses at its Clinton Extension center, which meets on the campus of Mississippi College. Classes meet on Mondays. Cycle 2 classes meet Aug. 29, Sept. 26, Oct. 31 and Nov. 28 (Fall 2011) and Jan. 23, Feb. 20, March 19 and April 23 (Spring 2012):

■ Fall 2011 (Cycle 1) — Supervised Ministry 1 (9-11 a.m.), Spiritual Formation 1 (11 a.m.-12 p.m.), Systematic Theology 1 (12-3 p.m.), Encountering the Biblical World (3-5 p.m.), Pastoral Counseling (6-8 p.m.), Philosophical Foundations (6-9 p.m.)

■ Fall 2011 (Cycle 2) — Hebrew Grammar (9 a.m.-12 p.m.), Proclaiming the Bible (1-4 p.m.), History of Christianity 1 (4-7 p.m.)

■ Spring 2012 (Cycle 1) — Supervised Ministry 2 (9-11 a.m.), Spiritual Formation 2 (11 a.m.-12 p.m.),

Systematic Theology 2 (12-3 p.m.), Pastoral Ministry (3-6 p.m.), Children's Ministry in Theory and Practice (3-5 p.m.)

■ Spring 2012 (Cycle 2) — Intermediate Hebrew for Exegesis (9 a.m.-12 p.m.), Preaching Practicum (1-4 p.m.), History of Christianity 2 (4-7 p.m.)

Jackson Extension Center
NOBTS will offer the following undergraduate courses at its Jackson extension center, which meets at Broadmoor Church in Madison. Classes meet on Mondays:

■ Fall 2011 — Integrating Academics and Ministry (10 a.m.-1 p.m.), Old Testament Survey (1-4 p.m.), Introduction to Ministry (4-7 p.m.), Personal Spiritual Disciplines (7-8 p.m.)

■ Spring 2012 — New Testament Survey (10 a.m.-1 p.m.), Old Testament

Interpretation: Psalms (1-4 p.m.), Introduction to Counseling (4-7 p.m.)

The NOBTS extension center system grows out of the seminary's commitment to make theological education as accessible as possible to as many God-called men and women as possible. To that end, New Orleans Seminary also offers hybrid classes that meet four times a semester at the New Orleans campus, thus minimizing the commute for long-distance students. Hybrid classes are supplemented by Internet coursework.

For more information on the seminary's extension centers, go online to www.nobts.edu/extensions or call (504) 282.4455, extension 3301.

For more information on upcoming classes at NOBTS, go online to www.nobts.edu and click either Leaveell College Course Schedules or Graduate Course Schedules under the Admissions/Registration menu.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

1. **Immanuel Church, Cleveland:** Total attendance, 266; church member William Brown painted the canvas depicting Times Square; Steve Huber, pastor. Shown are the participants.

2. **Sunflower Church, Sunflower:** Pastor Elbert McKnight thrilled the children participating with his Holy Taxi. He

created the taxi out of his golf cart. Shown are some of the participants.

3. **A team from Escatawpa Church, Moss Point,** went to Ebenezer Church, New York, to assist in VBS. Twenty professions of faith. Shown are the VBS workers and the team from Escatawpa.

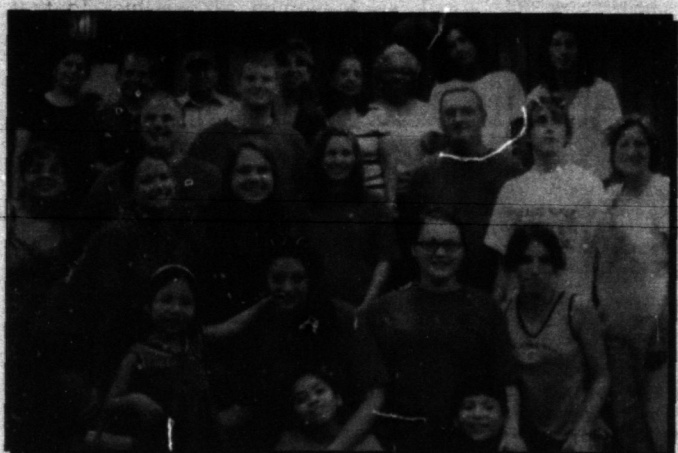


Immanuel Baptist Church
Vacation Bible School
July 11, 2011

1. Immanuel Church, Cleveland



2. Sunflower Church, Sunflower



3. Escatawpa Church, Moss Point

STAFF CHANGES

1. **Williamsville Church, Kosciusko,** recently called Jeremy Tillman as minister to students and youth. He was ordained Apr. 10 by First Church, Yazoo City. Shown are Tillman with his wife Jennifer and sons Ryan and Russ.



1. The Tillmans

REVIVALS AND HOMECOMINGS

1. **Unity Church, Attala Association:** 125th and 126th anniversary, Sept. 4; the 125th anniversary, 2010, had to be rescheduled because of remodeling in the fellowship hall; activities begin 10 a.m. and conclude after lunch; Gene Richardson, speaker; Cecil Oakes, music; Danny Townsend, pastor.

2. **Kokomo Church, Kokomo:** Centennial celebration, Sept. 18, 110 a.m. — noon; includes historical displays, dinner on the ground, drama presentations, guest speakers, special music, and other activities. Glenn Nace, pastor.

3. **New Home Church, Bay Springs:** Homecoming, Aug. 14; worship, 11 a.m., followed by lunch and gospel singing; Archie Springer, speaker; Danny and Nancy Harrison, music.

4. **Salem Church,**

Raymond: Homecoming, Aug. 14; services, 11 a.m., followed by lunch; Daniel Hall, speaker; Wayne Pinkerton, music; John Gordon, pastor.

5. **West Marks Church, Marks:** Revival, Sept. 11-15, 7 p.m.; Charlie Cooper, speaker; Ray Kirk, music.

6. **Bethany Church, Marshall County:** 75th anniversary, Aug. 28; services, 11 a.m., followed by lunch and singing by Pickin' Up the Pieces; former pastors, speaking; Donald Worsham, pastor.

7. **Liberty Church, Winston Association:** Revival, Aug. 28-31; Sun., 11 a.m., followed by dinner on the grounds and 5:45 p.m.; Mon. — Wed., 7 p.m.; Randall Creel, speaker; Dennis Duran, music; Jim Pender, pastor.

Looking back

10 years ago

A capacity crowd of 9000 pack the Mississippi Coliseum July 27 for Mississippi Baptist Youth Night. Over 400 decisions for the Lord were made.

20 years ago

The U.S. House of Representatives approves legislation directing the federal government to fund the use of tissue from aborted babies in experimental transplantation. On July 25, the House voted 274-144 for the bill lifting a ban on federal funding of fetal tissue research.

50 years ago

Mrs. Virgil Posey begins her 40th year as organist at Calvary Church, Jackson. Posey began her service the first Sunday in August, 1921.



THE SECOND FRONT PAGE

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YOU CAN RESPOND
RIGHT NOW!

Simply share the following prayer
with God in your own words:

1. Lord, I admit that I need you.
(I have sinned.)

2. I want forgiveness for my
sins and freedom from eternal
death. (I repent.)

3. I believe Jesus died and rose
from the grave to forgive my
sins and to restore my relationship
with you. (I believe in Jesus.)

4. By faith, I invite Jesus
Christ into my life. From this
time on, I want to live in a loving
relationship with Him. (I
receive Christ as my Savior
and Lord.)

"But as many as received him,
to them he gave the right to become
children of God, even to those who
believe in his name." (John 1:12)

If you make a decision for
Jesus Christ today, contact a
local Baptist church for spiritual
guidance.

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Clue: W = K

Have fun with cryptography and exercise your Bible knowledge. A King James Version Bible verse has been encoded by letter substitution. The same letter is substituted throughout the puzzle. Solve by trial and error. Answer to last week's puzzle: Revelation One: Eight

PRAYING FOR TEACHERS

As summer days were swiftly flying by and school days were approaching, a lady came up to me at one of our churches and said, "School is about to begin. Please pray for teachers." She was asking me not just to pray for her personally, though that was a part of it. She had participated in a Covering Mississippi in Prayer Rally near her home. At that rally I had encouraged all of us to pray for self, servants, and souls. She had been reading about various people who are in servant roles and how they influence other people. She wanted me to include teachers in that group. While she did not ask me to write about this, her heartfelt plea moved my heart.

While school administrators have difficult jobs, each day classroom teachers are seeking to push, pull, or at least nudge students into new arenas of thought, information, and understanding. It may be a difficult thing for a child to brush his or her teeth regularly, but that is a repetitive process. For the teacher, the learning process involves building on the foundation and reaching into new areas. Children as well as adults generally find that to be uncomfortable and many of them refuse to mentally go there. Add to that difficulty a room filled with boys and girls where the teacher does not know all of the other factors that are shaping their lives and their dispositions.

Let's suppose a student comes from a home where the mother and dad openly and violently fuss, fight, and attack each other. Do not think for a moment that all of that emotional distress is left at home. What if one of the parents has left and maybe the children are witnessing the process of divorce? What if a mom, dad, or sibling dies? The learning process is exponentially more difficult. Then there are personal relationships that may be good or bad on the part of the teacher and the students. Add to that some physical or health problem about which no one may be aware. Now put the teacher and students in a room and hope that teaching and learning takes place. It is a very difficult job and whoever these teachers are they deserve our prayers for they are influencing children.

The work of a teacher is delightful. I am so thankful that there are Christian men and women who in special ways have sensed God's leading in their life to follow that profession. While I regret and I am fully aware of the restraints that teachers have in the classroom not to cross the line and break the law concerning some of the things that they can and cannot do, there



Jim Futral, executive director-treasurer
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

Prayer Points

are no laws that prohibit a teacher from being genuinely caring, courteous, and loving. When you begin to look at the Scriptures, you understand that a Christian is not just someone who says I read the Bible, believe in God, and have trusted Jesus as my Savior. All of that is true, but the biblical Christian begins to walk like Jesus, think like Jesus, and be considerate like Jesus. In fact, when they were first called Christians it may have been a term that was used to mock these people whose lives were shaped by this Christ who they followed.

The people who walk into the classroom with a Christ-like demeanor make an incredible impact on the children they are teaching whether the subject is math, music, physics, or football. The rewards are great. Those kinds of teachers are the ones who made the greatest impression on me and added the greatest value to my life from the first grade through the final formal steps of education. The material may have been important but my memories of them remain far greater. While I have never been a classroom teacher except on short term and specific things, through the years I have watched as my wife and other family members have taught. I have seen those precious children grow up and become productive, quality, Christian men and women in society.

The work of a teacher is also dependent. While I know that there seems to nearly always be a shortage of resources and funds for our

schools, there is a greater dependence that they have. While I recognize that not all teachers are gifted or all of them know the Lord as their Savior and leader, they are dependent. They need us not just to evaluate them, to criticize them, or even to take cupcakes and be a part of a celebration at school, but they need us to pray for them. These men and women are touching the lives of our young people day after day.

I believe the school year is 180 days and on most days they probably spend more time face to face with and person to person with your child than you do. In many ways their work and the success of it

is going to determine some if not much of your child's future, so as we continue to Cover Mississippi in Prayer, let's hold them up before God and ask His blessings upon them. There are thousands of teachers across our state. You may just ask God to bless all of them, but your prayers may become more meaningful and more effective as you focus on those teachers who you know. Pray for the teachers in the classroom with your child. Pray for those who are teaching your grandchildren. Pray for the teachers you know who are teaching children with special burdens and needs in their lives. Pray for teachers who may be dealing with children who are disruptive and who are acting out. Pray for those teachers who have a great attitude and grace. Pray for those teachers who may seem to have a bad attitude that they would have the grace to change it. School has begun and whether you have children in kindergarten or college or anywhere in between, they need your involvement in their lives in prayer.

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JONES COUNTY CONFERENCE
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FEATURED SPEAKERS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - Morning at 9:00 a.m.

Dr. Cecil Scaggs, Retired Minister, Director, Florida Baptist Convention
Dr. John Sullivan, Exec. Director-Treasurer of the Florida Baptist Convention

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - Evening at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Fred Luter, Franklin Ave. Baptist Church, New Orleans, LA
Dr. Ted Traylor, Olive Branch Baptist Church, Pensacola, FL

MON. & TUES., AUGUST 22 & 23 - at 12:00 p.m. - Dr. John Sullivan

6:30 p.m.
Dr. Herb Renvis, North Jacksonville Baptist Church, Jacksonville, FL
6:30 p.m.
Dr. Junior Hill, Evangelist, Harville, Alabama

MUSIC
Each service will be led by a choir combining the talents of each participating church.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES
During each night session a Worship Service will be provided for all children K-5th Grade.

MIDDAY SERVICE
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
At Salem Heights
Lunch Provided

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JUNIPER GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH IS SEEKING A PART-TIME MINISTER OF MUSIC. Resumes can be emailed to junipergrovebc@gmail.com or mailed to 289 Juniper Grove Road, Poplarville, MS 39470. For more information please call 601-795-8386.

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MAGNOLIA BAPTIST CHURCH IN LAUREL, MS IS IN NEED OF A PART TIME MINISTER OF STUDENTS. We are accepting resumes through the end of August. Please send resume to: Magnolia Baptist Church, 1040 Wansley Rd, Laurel, MS 39440.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW ALBANY, MS IS SEEKING TO FILL THE ORGANIST POSITION. Please contact the church office at 662-534-5812, if you are interested.

THRASHER BAPTIST CHURCH IN PRENTISS COUNTY IS SEEKING A BIVOCATIONAL MUSIC MINISTER. Resumes can be submitted to Music Minister Search Committee, 200 CR 1040, Booneville, MS 38829 or emailed to dougtraskstrav@yahoo.com.

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH IN BROOKHAVEN, MS IS SEEKING A PART-TIME MINISTER OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH. Resumes may be emailed to questions@cbbcbrookhaven.org or mailed to P.O. Box 591, Brookhaven, MS, 39602.

HOUSE TOPS

Matthew 10:27 NAS

August 11, 2011

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BSU WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULES 2011-12

All events are in the BSU Centers unless otherwise noted.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Noonday - Mon - 1:00 p.m., Thurs - 12:35 p.m.
Prime Time Worship - every other Tues - 7:00 p.m.

CO-LIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Praise/Worship - Mon - 6:15 p.m.
Dorm Bible Study - Tues - 8:00 p.m.
Chapel - Wed - 11:00 a.m.

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Focus - Worship - Mon - 6:30 p.m.
Lunchcounter - Lunch/Devotion - Wed - noon

EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Worship - Mon - 8:31 p.m.
Bible Study in Dorms - Tues evenings
Lunch & Devotion - Wed - noon

GULF COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

JEFF DAVIS CAMPUS
Free Lunch - Wed - noon

JACKSON COUNTY CAMPUS

Free Lunch - Tues - noon

PERKINSTON CAMPUS

Free Lunch - Tues - noon

HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Worship - Tues - 7:00 p.m.
Lunch - Thurs - 12:30 p.m.
Small Group Bible Study - Thurs - TBA

HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

GOODMAN CAMPUS
Worship & Bible Study - Tues - 7:00 p.m.
Lunch & Devotion - Thurs - 11:00 a.m.

GRENADA CAMPUS

Lunch & Devotion - Thurs - 12:15 p.m.

RIDGELAND CAMPUS

Lunch & Devotion - Wed - noon

ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Luncheon - Wed - 12:07 p.m.
Worship - Wed - 7:07 p.m.

JONES COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE

Worship - Tues - 6:30 p.m.
Noonday Lunch - Wed - 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

MERIDIAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Lunch Devotion - Wed - Chapel - 11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Gathering (Worship) - First Tues - Chapel - 7:00 p.m.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Vision Worship - Mon - FBC Chapel - 6:30 p.m.
Focus Bible Study Groups - Tues, Thurs - TBA

MISSISSIPPI DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Worship & Fellowship - Mon - 7:00 p.m.
Bible Study - Tues - Dorms - 9:00 p.m.
Noonday Lunch & Devotion - Wed - noon

PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Worship - Mon - 6:33 p.m.
Lunch Encounter - Thurs - 11:00 a.m.
Lunch - Wed - noon - Hattiesburg Campus

SOUTHWEST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Shed - Mon - Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.
Noonday Lunch - Wed - 11:15 a.m.



MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

Priority - Tues - Praise & Worship - 6:15 p.m.
Noonday - Wed - Lunch & Bible Study - noon

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

Main Event Worship - Tues - 7:00 p.m.
Fresh Start/Freshmen & Transfers - Thurs - 7:00 p.m.

MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN

Noonday Lunch - Wed - noon
Weekly Bible Study - TBA

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Coffeetalk - Mon - 8:00 p.m. - Internationals
6:01 p.m. - Tues - Worship & Bible Study
12:01 p.m. - Thurs - Lunch & Devotion

NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Worship - Wed - 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study Luncheon - Thurs - 10:40 a.m.

WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY

Campus LINK - Mon - Student Center - 8:30 p.m.
Prayer Breakfast - Wed - BSU Center - 9:30 a.m.
Priority Lunch - Thurs - Student Center - noon

NORTHWEST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Worship & Bible Study - Tues - 7:00 p.m.,
Dorm Bible Studies - Wed Nights - Time TBA
Lunch & Bible Study - Wed - noon - DeSoto Center



For more info:
- contact the
Collegiate Ministry Department
at 1-800-748-1651

Baptist Student Union is the Mississippi Baptist ministry to our college campuses provided by your Cooperative Program gifts.

Speaker: Ben Starn [Breakaway College Station]
 For all college students
 Find opportunities to be involved
 Get info about summer missions

CSC '11

College Station Conference 2011
 September 28 - Oct. 1
 First Baptist Church

Contact your BSU director or church minister to register or contact Collette at Ministry @ 601.292.3323 or 601.292.3323 for registration fee

MUSIC: Ross King [College Station]

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Single Life Conferences

Saturday, Sept. 17
 Singles' Round-Up
 Neshoba Association Center, Philadelphia
 For more info: 601-656-1820

Friday, Sept. 23
 Singles' Round-Up
 First Baptist Church, Saitillo
 Special Guest: Becky Brown, Richland
 Light Supper (Please RSVP)
 For more info: 662-869-5742

Monday, Oct. 3
 Northcrest Baptist Church, Meridian
 For more info: 601-482-3498
 garycherylso@att.net

6:30 Light Supper (Please RSVP)
 *Door prizes
7:15 Introductions/Conferences
 "Picking up the Pieces"
 James Haynes, FBC, Biloxi
 "Five Love Languages for Singles"
 Tom Crocker, LifeWay Rep.

Fall Bible Drill Retreat
 October 7-8, 2011
 Garaywa • Clinton, Mississippi

Includes program tracks for

- Children Grades 4-6
- Children's Bible Drill teachers
- Students Grades 7-12
- Student Bible Drill teachers
- Student Speakers
- Tournament (Grades 10-12)

Questions: dbrashler@mbcb.org

Don't forget!

Baptist Nursing Fellowship Retreat
 for all BNF members, nurses or medical personnel interested in medical missions involvement

Sept. 30
 through
 Oct. 1
 (at Garaywa)

Mother/Daughter Overnight

is coming up at Garaywa!

Join us Sept. 30-Oct. 1 or Oct. 14-15
 (Friday evening through lunch on Saturday)
 1st-6th grade GA girls and their moms are invited

Register today by visiting us on the Web at www.mbc.org
 (Events > Woman's Missionary Union > Mother/Daughter Overnight)
 Locate and open the registration form, print, complete and mail.
 Contact rkeels@mbcb.org for more information

January Bible Study Preview ~ September 22, 2011

THE PURSUIT

Studies in Ecclesiastes

CHASING ANSWERS
 TO LIFE'S QUESTIONS

Speaker: Dr. William (Bill) Tolar
 Where: First Baptist Church, Jackson
 When: 9:00 a.m. - noon



For more information contact Kiley Young at kyoung@mbcb.org or
 Lee Ann Boykin at lboykin@mbcb.org | 1-800-748-1651 or 601-292-3292

Student Ministry
 Training

Road Trip

Training for all your student leaders

Bring your entire student ministry team to this free event
 [supper included]

Breakout sessions will include:

Engaging Students in Bible Study, Reaching Students for Christ,
 Involving Students in Worship and Creative Arts, Missions: It's a Guy
 Thing and Missions: It's a Girl Thing

[participants will be able to choose 2 breakout sessions]
 Mon. Aug. 29, Batesville - First Baptist Church
 Tues. Aug. 30, Greenville - First Baptist Church
 Thurs. Sept. 1, Philadelphia - First Baptist Church
 Tues. Sept. 6, Clinton - Parkway Baptist Church

Please contact Rene Edwards at redwards@mbcb.org or 601-968-3800 with
 the name of your church and the number of volunteers you're bringing along
 for the ride.

Special Ministries Retreat 2011



Crafts Bible Study Singing
 Games Talent Show

The Special Ministries Retreat is for
 exceptional persons (12 years and older) and
 their pastors, parents, teachers, and friends.

September 9-10, 2011
 Garaywa Camp and Conference Center
 Clinton, Miss.

For more information, contact Angie Boydston at aboystun@mbcb.org
 or Lee Ann Boykin at lboykin@mbcb.org or call 1-800-748-1651, ext. 292,
 or 601.292.3292

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"Creating a Culture of Growth"

PASTORS' WORKSHOP

August 29, 2011

9 a.m. to noon
 Baptist Building Skyroom

With Leaders

Larry LeBlanc, II

Pastor, FBC, Summit

and

Israel Cox, Pastor

Crosspoint Church, Gulfport

For more information contact Alan Woodward at 601.292.3308
 or awoodward@mbcb.org

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- Cross Cultural Ministries
- College and University Outreach
- Community Mission Projects
- Disaster Relief
- Port Ministry

Please pray about what God would have you discover during Mississippi's state missions emphasis.
 Also, pray to discover what God wants you to give through the Margaret Lackey Offering.

Undiscovered

A Woman's Guide
 to Joyful Living
 Brenda H. Kelley

MINISTERS' WIVES
 CONFERENCE

Monday, October 31, 2011
 FBC Chapel, Jackson
 1:15 - 4:45 p.m.

"Pray without ceasing ..."

August

15 Pray for: a team from the **Mississippi Baptist Convention Board**, traveling to England to explore ministry opportunities for the 2012 Olympics, August 15-19.

19 Pray for: a team from **FBC, Florence**, traveling to Ukraine to minister through sports evangelism, August 19-28.

22 Pray for: a **Missions Mobilization** team traveling to East Asia to minister through a retreat for missionary women, August 22-31.

10th Annual Preparing for Retirement Seminar

August 29 – September 1, 2011

For any GuideStone participant 55+ years of age

With leaders
Don McLeod, C.F.P.
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Robin D. Nichols
Financial Services, MBCB, GuideStone Rep.

Monday, Aug. 29
2 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Lamar Baptist Association
2843 Highway 589, Hattiesburg
601.268.7334 (office)

Tuesday, Aug. 30
9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Miss. Baptist Convention Board
515 Mississippi Street, Jackson
601.292.3226 (Robin's office)

Tuesday, Aug. 30
2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Neshoba Baptist Association
903 Valley View Drive, Philadelphia
601.656.1820 (office)

Wednesday, Aug. 31
9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Lee Baptist Association
2808 South Gloster, Tupelo
662.566.1700 (office)

Thursday, Sept. 1
9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., North Greenwood Baptist Church
615 Grand Blvd., Greenwood
662.453.2801 (office)

Reservations: Robin D. Nichols, 1.800.748.1651
spouses welcomed

2011 Auditions for the 2012 Mississippi Baptist All-State Youth Choir and Orchestra

Open to 9th-12th graders involved in the music ministry of Mississippi Southern Baptist Churches

Register 2 weeks prior to the audition

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2011
4:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Fairview Baptist Church, Columbus

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011
2:00 – 4:00 P.M.
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Grenada

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011
4:00 – 7:00 P.M.
First Baptist Church, Summit

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011
10:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.
William Carey University, Hattiesburg

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011
2:00 – 4:00 P.M.
First Baptist Church, Wiggins

THURSDAY, October 6, 2011
4:00 – 7:00 P.M.
First Baptist Church, Meridian

SATURDAY, October 15, 2011
1:00 – 4:00 P.M.
Baptist Building, Jackson

SUNDAY, October 16, 2011
2:00 – 5:00 P.M.
Baptist Building, Jackson

Sponsored by the Church Music Department | Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson
For more information: 1-800-748-1651, ext. 266; cwtaylor@mbcb.org

10-1-04
MISS MAGGIE M.
Parents: C & A
Restricted

10-2-01
MISS SHELBY COX
Parents: Jeremy & Kimberly
Restricted

10-3-97
MISS KARISSA YEAGER
Parents: Tommy & Jennifer
Restricted

10-4-01
MISS MICAH WORTHY
Parents: Charlie & Shannon
European Peoples

10-4-90
MR. MICAH MCCALL
Parents: Dennis & Margaret
Retired – Africa

10-8-90
MISS MELISSA SHEARER
Parents: Kevin & Pam
American Peoples

10-8-97
MISS CATHERINE HODGINS
Parents: Ray & Cindy
Deaf Peoples Affinity Group

10-10-94
MR. LUKE LITTLE
Parents: Bob & Amy
West Africa

10-17-00
MISS KAYLEE
Parents: D & D
Restricted

10-25-10
Mr. J.
Parents: C & L
Restricted

10-26-06
MISS ADDISON
Parents: James & Tracy
Restricted

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FOR SECURITY, cards will be forwarded.
Please send all to: Child's name, Parent's
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Box 530, Jackson MS 39205. PLEASE
NOTE: Church members may send a package of
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Senior Adult Rally

2011 Thursday, August 25
8:30–11:45 a.m.
First Baptist Church, Brandon

With
comedian
Al Fike!
For more information
call 601-825-6766
Registration: \$1 at the door



IMB seeks workers with financial services expertise

RICHMOND, Va. (BP) — Jake Grece (not his real name) sits at his computer in an undisclosed location in Africa, answering email from a missionary couple. They have a question about their finances and Grece is their man — an International Mission Board (IMB) missionary working as an accountant.

Today Grece is in the office processing financial reports, sorting expense claims, and punching numbers into a database, but tomorrow he and a local pastor will hold an outdoor evangelism service where they will share the Gospel with nationals.

Accountants may not be the first image that pops into people's heads when talking about missionaries, but that's exactly how Grece, a Nebraska native, answered his call to missions. He uses his financial skills in the office while also focusing on ministering to those around him, whether it's frazzled missionaries or local villagers.

They are a "missionary first with an assignment to do financial support," said Lynn Burton, associate vice president for IMB's office of finance. "That's the one thing to always focus on. [On] our

job description, the very first line is 'witnessing and participating in Christian life.'"

IMB missionaries serve as accountants in four financial support centers overseas, taking care of personnel in the Americas, Eurasia, Asia, and Africa.

Currently, all the centers need more missionaries with the skills to do financial work plus a heart to reach others with the Gospel. The position requires standard duties of a finance worker: reviewing and reimbursing personnel spending, transferring funds, processing expense reports, and communicating with personnel who have financial questions or issues.

Burton, who works in the board's Richmond, Va., office, served for almost 20 years as a missionary in Africa. Though he worked in financial support and administration, he also started two churches, conducted marriage enrichment seminars, and taught Bible studies.

"Financial stewardship [enabled me to live] in some of the countries," he said.

Missionary accountants in Africa try to get out of the office at least one day each week to minister to their people groups. While Grece and a

local pastor lead a Bible study in a poverty-stricken shantytown, other missionaries work in an AIDS orphanage, teach the Bible through storytelling, and volunteer with local churches.

Grece said he enjoys his duties of handling expenses and accounting, a ministry in itself. He likes to help people with their finances, which "takes a lot of stress off their plates, where many live in high-stress areas and ministries already," he said.

Jeff Whitlow (not his real name), an IMB missionary and New York native, has served in both types of missionary work: strategy and support. After working for two years in South Asia as a strategy coordinator for an unengaged,

unreached people group, he moved to Southeast Asia to work in the financial support office. Whitlow

also teaches classes at a local seminary twice a week, eating lunch with his students and staying after class to talk with them and answer questions.

Whitlow still has a heart for South Asian people, so in between working and teaching he spends time ministering to Indians who live nearby. He is grateful that his work schedule allows him to be involved in a variety of ministries.

Individuals interested in pursuing missionary service may call IMB's office of global personnel toll-free at (800) 999-3113, or visit www.going.imb.org.

"Even though a lot of people might feel like their predominant role is accounting, there's still plenty of opportunities to be able to look for opportunities to share, and you have that flexibility to pick and choose what area in particular you want to focus on."

—Jeff Whitlow
IMB missionary
served through strategy
and support

"Even though a lot of people might feel like their predominant role is accounting, there's still plenty of opportunities to be able to look for opportunities to share, and

COLLEGE NEWS

1. Janet Williams, Dean of the Joseph and Nancy Fail School of Nursing at William Carey University, spoke at WCU's undergraduate commencement ceremony, August 5. Approximately 400 students graduated from WCU's three campuses in four ceremonies, August 5-6.

2. Ben James, Jr., Chaplain for the Mississippi Senate and pastor of First Church of Prentiss, spoke at William Carey University's commencement ceremony for Hattiesburg graduate students, August 6.

3. Richard Clark, a retired Hattiesburg surgeon, spoke at William Carey University's undergraduate commencement ceremony, August 6.

4. George Schloegel, Mayor of the City of Gulfport, served as the speaker for William Carey University's Tradition graduation.

William Carey University's softball team received top academic honors among the NAIA Scholar Teams with a Grade Point Average of 3.56. Currently ranked No. 3 in the nation, the Lady Crusaders advanced to their fourth straight National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Tournament and ended the season with a 54-8 record. Players Anna Ard of Louisville and Tan Montgomery of Tylertown were named Louisville Slugger/NFCA NAIA All-Americans as announced by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association, and Ard was also named SSAC Pitcher of the Year. Head softball coach Wendy Hogue, assistant coach Craig Fletcher and student assistant coach Chase Coleman were selected as the East Region

Coaching Staff of the Year by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) and the NAIA.

• Five other WCU athletic teams were also named Scholar Teams: women's tennis, men's cross country, women's soccer, men's soccer, and men's tennis. For a team to be considered for the NAIA Scholar Team award, it must have a minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA), on a 4.0 scale, as defined by the institution. The team GPA includes all varsity student-athletes on the team who are certified as eligible.

• The women's tennis team ranked eighth in their division with a 3.56 GPA. Men's cross country finished with a 3.31, women's soccer with a 3.08, men's soccer with a 3.07, and men's tennis with a 3.0 GPA.

STAFF CHANGES

1. First Church, Winona, has called Chris Aldridge as pastor effective July 11. Shown are Aldridge with his wife Julie and children Zachary, Gavin, Ryan, and Caden.



1. The Aldridges

Visit www.mbcb.org to stay up to date on what Mississippi Baptists are doing across the state.

HOUSE TOPS

THE VILLAGE VIEW



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GIFTS OF HONOR AND MEMORY

A portion of The Village View is allocated each month to a list of Gifts of Honor and Memory. Many groups and individuals elect to pay tribute to others through this sensitive, meaningful, and helpful medium. This feature is hopefully designed to further honor with taste and respect, those who are and have been special to our special friends.

MAY 2011

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JUNE 2011

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Mr. & Mrs. Olen S. Broom

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Celeste Cade, BCV Public Relations Associate, accepts a \$500 donation presented by JoNell Payton and the WMU of FBC Durant, MS to help with school uniforms and supplies.

The NEW India Nunnery Campus, which was relocated from Jackson to Star, is now open and receiving children. We need some help with the following as we finish settling in:

- ◆ 2 new computers (one for each cottage) for the children to use for homework assignments
- ◆ 36 in. or bigger flat screen TV for girls cottage
- ◆ Sponsor to buy fabric for window treatments and tablecloths. Staff will help pick matching fabric for rooms.
- ◆ Sponsor and volunteers to purchase and install playground equipment for both cottages i.e., sturdy swings sets, slides, etc.
- ◆ Lawn equipment i.e. electric Weed Eater, leaf blower and extension cords
- ◆ Wal-Mart, Target or Penny's gift card to purchase floor rugs, runners and lamps
- ◆ Beanbag chairs: 2 brown for boys, 2 beige for girls
- ◆ Spice rack for boys cottage (with spices)
- ◆ Wal-Mart card to buy trunks while in stock during back-to-school season

Contact Celeste Cade, Public Relations Associate, 601-922-2242 or ccade@baptistchildrensvillage.com, if you can help.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE

Forgive One Another

Colossians 3:12-13; Philemon 8-22

By Beth Bowman

Half of the time I can't remember where I put my keys or to pick up my neighbors' mail when they are out of town, but I remember the words of my ninth-grade boyfriend when I broke up with him, the angry words of my son's coach in six-year-old soccer, and the last time one of my children didn't obey.

Am I forgetful? Only when it is not attached to forgiveness.

As God's chosen people

Colossians 3:12-13

Paul sets the stage for us. He gives us the reason why our behavior in the world must be different, as God's "chosen people." In modern day terms, Paul would be "calling us out." In other words, he is saying this is the standard for our behavior.

The action is to "clothe yourselves" or as some versions state it, "put on." Either way, it implies a very active procedure from us. What are these things at which we actively work? The end of verse 12 tells us, "compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." (NIV)

Our morning routine for getting dressed should include these God-imitating characteristics. For instance, pants-check, top-check-cute shoes-check, compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience-check, check, check!

In verse 13, the first four words should cause us to stop and think a minute. The first word, "Bear" or "Forbear" is the Greek word *anexomai*. This word means "to hold up against a thing and so bear with." The



Bowman

word picture that comes to mind is someone trying to carry a very heavy object and a friend comes over and together, they carry the heavy load. That's a great picture of bearing with another. Now the hard part: forgiving.

Paul goes on to encourage the believers to forgive whatever grievance of you as the standard. Ouch! How does the Lord forgive? Completely. Psalm 103:12 (NASV) states "As far as the east is from the west, so far has He moved our transgressions from us." Forgiveness from Christ is a promise to completely reconcile and to put the offense out of one's mind. When a person says, "I'll forgive but I won't forget," they don't understand forgiveness.

As we model Christ's Forgiveness Philemon 8-22

Paul wrote to Philemon about Onesimus, the slave. Onesimus wronged his master Philemon

and ran away to Rome. We don't know exactly what Onesimus had done. Some scholars believe he had stolen from his master. Paul sends him back to Philemon. In that day, runaway slaves could be tortured to death or branded with a letter F into their foreheads with a hot iron, but Paul is sending a very different Onesimus back to his owner. Paul saw the change in Onesimus as he became a believer in Christ. In verse 10, Paul calls the slave, "his son." He tells Philemon in verse 11, "Formerly he was useless to you, but now he has become useful both to you and me." I believe the evidence of his changed life was powerful and evident. Paul tells Philemon in verse 16, "no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother." (NIV)

Paul urged Philemon to forgive, forget, and begin a new day. Unforgiveness can bring a root of bitterness. Hal Kitchens preached about Philemon at my church in April. He said, "Bitterness (and unforgiveness) is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die." Paul wanted

Philemon not only to recognize the changed life of Onesimus but to begin a redemptive relationship with him.

I couldn't help but think of my friend when I studied for this lesson. She modeled for me what true forgiveness looks like. She and I worked together for many years. Our two ministries shared classrooms, and conflict is often inevitable in those situations. One day she confronted me about some mistakes made from my area of ministry. She was right; I was wrong. I asked for her forgiveness and told her our plan to make it right. She said something to me that day that modeled Christ. She said, "Now, we never need to speak of this again," and she didn't. The offense was forgiven and forgotten. That's it in a nutshell. Forgive, forget, and move on to do what God has called you to do.

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EXPLORE THE BIBLE

Follow Orders

Jeremiah 42:1-3, 5-6, 9-10, 19-22: 43:2

By Harold Simmons

My brother-in-law and I joined the Marine Corp Reserve together. During the bootcamp portion of our training, we were taught how to march in close order drill. We were ordered not to talk in ranks. My brother-in-law and I laughed at something that happened as we were marching. The Drill Instructor halted the squad and came to us. He reminded us that we had been ordered to be quiet while marching. He pulled us from the squad and stood us at attention facing one another and ordered us to laugh. We "ha-ha'd" and "he-he'd" for 10 minutes. We did not follow orders and wasted ten minutes of our lives with fake laughs. God had ordered His

people to repent and change their lives and they did not listen to the orders nor did they obey. They met more disastrous results. Many lost their lives in the following calamity they brought on themselves because they did not follow God's instructions. Again, in these passages, God is instructing the Jews in what He wants them to do.

Seeking guidance in a panic

(Jeremiah 42:1-3, 5-6)

After the conquest by the Babylonian king, the people were taken to Ramah to stay until they would be deported to Babylon. Gedaliah, who was a provincial leader, had stayed in Mizpah with Jeremiah and a group of



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survivors. He became the accepted leader of the remnant, but that did not last long for he was murdered. Chaos reigned and the people were afraid of what might be ahead. They turned to other leaders who had been the leaders of the armies. These men were tried leaders and the people looked to them for direction and the establishment of order.

Because Gedaliah had been murdered, the people and their leaders assumed that the king of Babylon would return and wreak havoc again. They decided that the only thing they could do would be to run to Egypt. Their assumption was wrong.

It seems that they had already decided to go to Egypt and then thought they should also ask the Lord what to do. Jeremiah asked the Lord and he was given the answer: that the people should stay where they were.

Receiving an unpopular response

(Jeremiah 42:9-10)

Jeremiah did deliver God's message to the people of Judah and their leaders. It was a message they did not want to hear because they had made up their minds that the only logical thing to do was migrate to Egypt, but God does not work on man's logic. He is all powerful and is in control of all things. He offered them safety and prosperity if they would stay where they were. These are things for which they had longed. All they had to do to achieve their desires was to trust God and He would give them what they wanted. Needless to say this is not the answer they wanted.

Warning about self-deception

(Jeremiah 42:19-22)

At New Orleans Baptist Hospital several years ago, the mother of a newborn was told the sad news that her baby had died. "No, that is not my baby. It belongs to some other mother. That is not my baby." No matter how much the staff tried to convince the woman, she insisted that her baby was alive. It was not until the staff brought her dead baby to her

did she believe. The woman had been told and told that this was the truth. She deceived herself. The same was true for the remnant of people left in Judah.

Today, people do not want to believe the message that God has sent through the Scripture and His messengers. They too are deceiving themselves.

Rejecting the Lord's guidance

(Jeremiah 43:2)

The message from God did not match their decision. Therefore, they rejected the message as being from God. They even called God's prophet a liar and by inference they called God a liar. This is a very serious thing to do. They asked of God and said that they would do what God directed. Then, they were defiant and proceeded to follow their own plans. They had been warned that the plan of action meant certain death. We have been warned by God what we will face if we continue to follow our own thought and not God's. Eternal death awaits those who call God a liar.

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1. **Ackerman Church,** Ackerman, will host the Crist Family of gospel singers Aug. 14, 6:30 p.m. The Joyful Noise Quartet will open for them at 6 p.m.
2. **The widows of River Bend Church,** Aberdeen, were honored with a luncheon and entertainment by Lynn Pigford, performing comedy as Bro. Skipper Thigpen.
3. **First Church, Tremont,** will have a back to school rally Aug. 12, 7-9:30 p.m. with Jeremy Allison and New Dimension of Worship.
4. **Eastside Church, Pearl,** will host a Son Run 5K Run/Walk and 1 mile Fun Run Sept. 3. Profits will help those affected by recent storms through the Mississippi Baptist Storm Relief Fund and community outreach ministries through the church. Register online at www.eastsidesonrun.org or call (601) 939-2433. Registration before Aug. 29, \$20; afterwards, \$25; family of 4, \$60. Includes mini golf, live music, face painting, silent auction, door prizes, and more.
5. **Calvary Church, Winston Association,** was recognized by the North American Mission Board for being the top ranked church in per capita giving in the association in 2010. Shown are Guy Young, Carol Moody, and pastor Rickey McKay.
6. **Pelahatchie Church, Pelahatchie,** will host the Mark Trammell Quartet Aug. 25, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. A love offering will be received.
7. **Pine Hill Church, Enterprise,** held a back to school party with the children at the Baptist Children's Village, Powell - Walley campus, Waynesboro. The church provided each child with a backpack and school supplies and provided pizza and cupcakes for lunch. The members also enjoyed basketball, fingernail painting, and tie-dyeing t-shirts. A check for \$441.86, collected during VBS, was presented to the campus.
8. **Ronnie and Beverly Cottingham, Jus' Jesus Ministries,** are taking their 15th trip to Israel Nov. 28 - Dec. 6. Cost, \$3,795 from Atlanta or Mobile. Must register immediately to get in. Call (601) 947-7167 or visit www.ronniecottingham.com.
9. **D'Lo Church, D'Lo,** licensed Scott Sones to the ministry July 31. Pastor Joe Metts presented Sones with a certificate of licensing signed by all the church members. Shown are Metts and Sones.

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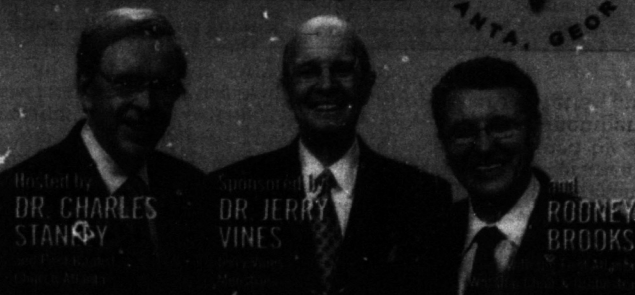
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